STATE of WISCONSIN



Proclamation

WHEREAS; Lynch syndrome, formerly known as hereditary nonpolyposis colorectal cancer (HNPCC), is a hereditary condition that causes greater risk of developing colorectal, endometrial, ovarian, stomach, hepatobiliary tract, urinary tract, skin, and brain cancer; and

WHEREAS; Lynch Syndrome creates a hereditary predisposition to a number of cancers at a high lifetime risk and often at an early onset age; and

WHEREAS; every Wisconsinite should know their family history and share it with their physician to determine if their family may be at high risk for hereditary cancers and prompt genetic testing; and

WHEREAS; every newly diagnosed colorectal cancer and endometrial cancer case should be screened for Lynch syndrome characteristics to prompt risk assessment and genetic testing, as a positive genetic test would determine if these cancers are hereditary, qualifying affected individuals for regular cancer screening tests so that growths, polyps, and tumors may be detected early and treated or removed before becoming life threatening; and

WHEREAS; this Lynch Syndrome Hereditary Cancer Awareness Day we join patients and advocates across our state to raise awareness of Lynch syndrome in Wisconsin and encourage all Wisconsinites to learn more about this hereditary condition, to collect their family history information, and to share this pertinent information with their healthcare providers in order to assess individual risk and take steps toward detection and prevention;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim March 22, 2020, as

LYNCH SYNDROME HEREDITARY CANCER AWARENESS DAY

thro out the St. of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our state's residents.

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Secretary of State

hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 6th day of March 2020.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR